



Chapter 3: Introduction to SQL

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Nested Subqueries

- SQL provides a mechanism for the nesting of subqueries. A **subquery** is a **select-from-where** expression that is nested within another query.
- The nesting can be done in the following SQL query

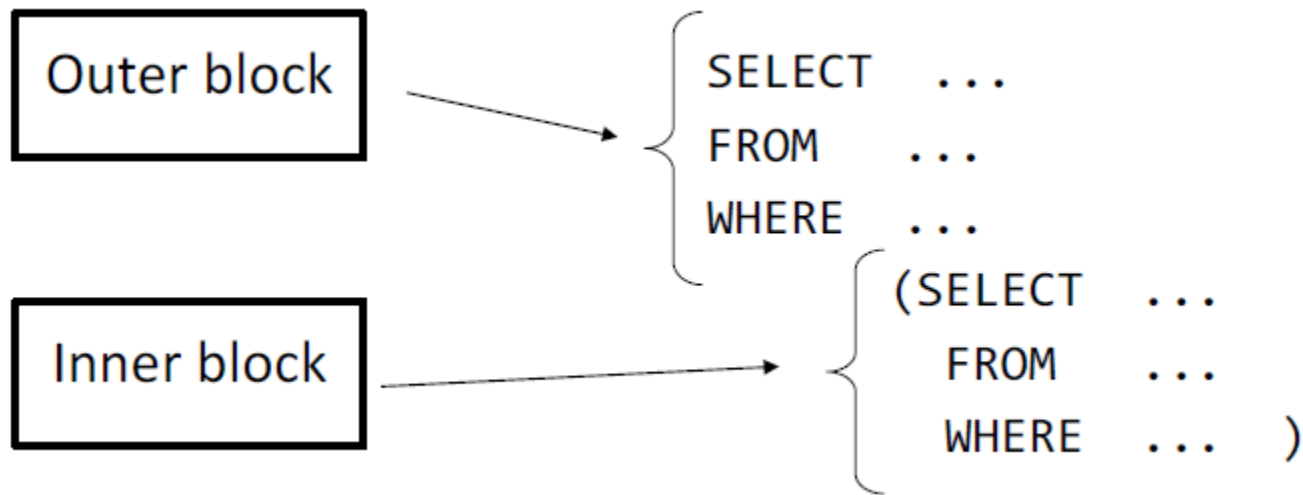
```
select  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$   
from  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m$   
where  $P$ 
```

as follows:

- **From clause:** r_i can be replaced by any valid subquery
- **Where clause:** P can be replaced with an expression of the form:
$$B \text{ <operation> (subquery)}$$
$$B$$
 is an attribute and <operation> to be defined later.
- **Select clause:**
 A_i can be replaced by a subquery that generates a single value.



Nested Subqueries





Set Membership

- Find courses offered in Fall 2017 and in Spring 2018

```
select distinct course_id  
from section  
where semester = 'Fall' and year= 2017 and  
       course_id in (select course_id  
                      from section  
                      where semester = 'Spring' and year= 2018);
```

- Find courses offered in Fall 2017 but not in Spring 2018

```
select distinct course_id  
from section  
where semester = 'Fall' and year= 2017 and  
       course_id not in (select course_id  
                          from section  
                          where semester = 'Spring' and year= 2018);
```



Set Membership (Cont.)

- Name all instructors whose name is neither “Mozart” nor Einstein”

```
select distinct name  
from instructor  
where name not in ('Mozart', 'Einstein')
```

- Find the total number of (distinct) students who have taken course sections taught by the instructor with *ID* 10101

```
select count (distinct ID)  
from takes  
where (course_id, sec_id, semester, year) in  
      (select course_id, sec_id, semester, year  
       from teaches  
       where teaches.ID = 10101);
```

- Note: Above query can be written in a much simpler manner.
The formulation above is simply to illustrate SQL features



Set Membership (Cont.)

- IN en situaciones es similar a INTERSECT y / o Join
- NOT IN en situaciones es similar a MINUS

Liste los estudiantes que han presentado exámenes, esto es, tienen resultados

```
SELECT s.*
FROM
  students s
WHERE
  s.sid IN
  (
    SELECT sid
    FROM results
  )
```

SID	FIRST	LAST	EMAIL	GRP	MONITOR
101	Ann	Smith	a@jav.co.c	1	(null)
102	Michael	Jones	(null)	2	103
103	Richard	Turner	b@jav.co.c	2	101

```
SELECT *
FROM
  results b,
  students a
WHERE
  a.sid = b.sid
```

SID	CAT	ENO	POINTS	SID_1	FIRST	LAST	EMAIL	GRP	MONITOR
101	H	1	10	101	Ann	Smith	a@jav.co.c	1	(null)
101	H	2	8	101	Ann	Smith	a@jav.co.c	1	(null)
101	M	1	12	101	Ann	Smith	a@jav.co.c	1	(null)
102	H	1	9	102	Michael	Jones	(null)	2	103
102	M	1	10	102	Michael	Jones	(null)	2	103
102	H	2	9	102	Michael	Jones	(null)	2	103
103	H	1	5	103	Richard	Turner	b@jav.co.c	2	101
103	M	1	7	103	Richard	Turner	b@jav.co.c	2	101



Set Membership (Cont.)

- IN en situaciones es similar a INTERSECT y / o Join
- NOT IN en situaciones es similar a MINUS

Liste los estudiantes que NO han presentado exámenes, esto es, tienen resultados

```
SELECT s.*  
FROM  
  students s  
WHERE  
  s.sid NOT IN  
  (  
    SELECT sid  
    FROM results  
  )
```

```
SELECT sid  
FROM students  
MINUS  
SELECT sid  
FROM results;
```

SID	FIRST	LAST	EMAIL	GRP	MONITOR
104	Ann	Brown	ca@jav.co.c	3	103

SID
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